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## SENATOR TILLMAN EXPLAINS.

### In Letter to a Williston Friend He Tells Why He Voted Against Putting Iron Ore on Free List.

Washington special in Columbia State, June 17: Senator Tillman today gave out a letter which he wrote to Dr. W. C. Smith of Williston as to his vote against putting iron ore on the free list. Dr. Smith, being always a "Tillmanite," wrote to the senator for an explanation. The two letters follow.

Zach McGee.

Williston, S. C., May 27 1909.

Senator B. R. Tillman, Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator: Having always been a "Tillmanite" at the ballot box, I am emboldened to ask if you have ever stated your reason for voting for a duty on iron ore, and if such statement is in print that you will send it to me. I am curious to know why.

Yours truly,

W. C. Smith

Dr. W. C. Smith, Williston, S. C.

My Dear Friend: Your letter of May 27 has remained unanswered because I have been overwhelmed with work here and have spent several days in South Carolina looking after matters at Clemson and lost one day as I returned by reason of a railroad wreck.

I have never printed anything about my vote on iron ore and will very gladly give you an explanation direct. I notice that my old enemies are making a great howl about my votes up here, while many others who have not been enemies are yelping in chorus, simply because they are ignorant of conditions. The trouble with many editors in South Carolina is they take and read the Associated Press dispatches, which are colored in behalf of the Republican party, and are garbled and condensed and give no adequate conception of things as they really happen.

The facts in regard to iron ore are simply these: There is overwhelming evidence that there are no independent steel or iron producers. The steel trust has absolute control and enjoys a monopoly of the iron and steel business in this country. The so-called independent concerns are dominated and controlled by it, though not all owned by it. The steel trust fixes prices and the others conform.

There are immense, wellnigh inexhaustible, table deposits of iron ore in Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, and the steel trust controls immense deposits in these States. It also controls, or some of its subsidiary companies, large deposits in Cuba. It was brought out in the debate that some of the Eastern companies have contracts with the Cuban mine owners to import not less than 1,000,000 tons a year of Cuban ore, and I do not think it worth while to let this come in free when it would make no difference whatever to the consumers of iron and steel as to the price we would pay for these articles. I believe that the American producer of iron and steel (that is the steel trust mainly) can compete with England, Germany and France in the markets of the world, and that the whole scheme of protection of manufactured steel is a barefaced robbery of the American people. No one but an idiot will contend that the duty on iron ore will increase the price of anything

manufactured of iron to the American consumer. If we could reduce the tariff on manufactured iron we could get cheaper prices, but under existing circumstances the tariff law bars out the European competitor, who is already handicapped by having the ocean freights to pay, and our people are charged the cost of production in Europe, plus the freight, plus the tariff and this is the source of Carnegie's millions.

Assuring you of high appreciation of your friendship in the past and hoping to continue to merit your confidence and support, I am

Sincerely yours,

B. R. Tillman.

### Death at Wedding.

Brillion, Wis., June 17. —While the marriage vows of Miss Catherine Mulhany and John Barts, a leading business man of this city, were being solemnized, Mrs. Joseph Manlik, a friend of the bride and groom and who attended the ceremony, fell dead from apoplexy.

Her body was carried out of the church on a stretcher preceding the wedding party.

### Negro Lynched in Florida

Tampa, Fla., June 16.—Word reached here just before the telegraph office at Arcadia, Fla., was closed that a negro was lynched there late this afternoon for an attempted criminal assault on Mrs. P. R. Read, wife of a prominent citizen of Arcadia. A posse was formed as soon as the news of the attempted crime spread and within an hour the negro was captured within a short distance from the scene of the crime and lynched. This makes the second lynching for attempted criminal assault in the last six weeks.

### Doctor Shoots Patient's Brother. Claims Self Defense

Dillon special in Columbia State, June 16: In a personal difficulty today between Dr. H. A. Edwards of Latta and John Kirby of Dillon, Dr. Edwards was painfully hurt and Kirby dangerously shot.

Kirby was at Dr. Edward's office in Latta this morning, where sharp words passed between them, growing out of some previous misunderstanding. Dr. Edwards and Kirby met again a few hours after at the home of Jule Kirby, brother of John, at Dothan, four miles from Dillon, where Dr. Edwards was attending one of the family. The difficulty was at once renewed, Kirby closing in and throwing Dr. Edwards to the floor. Kirby is physically much the stronger man. Dr. Edwards, it is said, felt that his life was in danger and drawing his pistol, placed the muzzle against his antagonist, firing four times in rapid succession, all the shots taking effect, three of them in the left side and front, about the short ribs.

Three of them passed entirely through Kirby's body just to the left of the spinal column. The fourth struck just below the left arm-pit and lodged in the chest cavity. The physicians regard his condition as exceedingly grave. Dr. Edwards is painfully hurt, but is not considered seriously hurt.

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## COTTON CROP IN POOR SHAPE

### Small Decrease in Acreage—No Crop at all in Central Texas

New Orleans, La.—The Times-Democrat, in publishing its first report on the cotton crop of 1909, will to-morrow summarize conditions as follows:

There has been a moderate decrease in acreage—probably about 5 per cent.

"Taking the belt as a whole, the condition of the plant leaves much to be desired.

"The supply of labor is fairly adequate, as a rule, though there is a good deal of complaint in some sections."

Among the reports from the cotton belt of unusual features is the following from Austin, Tex:

"That Central Texas is without a cotton crop, with half of the month of June gone by, may be a state of affairs difficult to imagine, yet such is the case, and to farmers of this section it is a sad reality.

"This is generally admitted throughout the rural precincts, and it is believed that the same conditions exist throughout the State and most of the Southwest. The State department of agriculture in this city confirms this statement. In fact, there is so little cold ground that a comparison between the acreage of this year and that of last, is next to impossible. About the only cotton well grown at the present time has been raised almost exclusively by the 'hot house' method."

### Negro Bitten by Dying Mule

Salem, Black River, special in the Columbia State: One Norris Johnson, a negro tenant of Dr. W. J. McKay, lost a fine mule. In its death agony the mule seized Norris' leg and the bystanders had to prize its mouth open to release the negro's leg. This was on Monday, 7th; on Saturday his doctor said the leg would have to be amputated.

### North Carolina Girl Struck by Lightning.

Charlotte, N. C., June 17.—Lightning from a clear sky struck Miss Sallie Underwood, 16 years old, daughter of R. J. Underwood, at River Bend, a remote town in Gaston county, yesterday, felling her and producing a state of coma from which physicians have been unable to arouse her. At 10 o'clock tonight the girl was still unconscious.

### Pistol Duel Results from Attempt to Stop Gambling.

Lakeland, Fla., June 17.—A duel took place at noon to-day at Carters, a small station near here, between A. J. Jones, superintendent of the Carter Manufacturing Company mills, and Clyde Carter, a sawyer. Carter is a dying condition, one shot passing through his head, another through his body. Jones is seriously wounded, but may recover, a ball having struck him on the collar bone, passing through his neck.

The superintendent had been attempting to break up gambling about the mills and Carter resented his interference. The men met in the commissary today and both began firing.

Do you have that dark brown taste in your mouth every morning when you wake? If so, you are bilious and should take two or three of those little BLOODINE LIVER PILLS, easy to take, never sicken, weaken or gripe, 25c mailed by The Bloodine Co., Inc., Boston, Mass. Crawford Bros., Special Agents 49-74

## WANTED HER GOLD FILLINGS.

### Discarded Sweetheart Took Money Instead, Then Shot Girl.

New York, June 17.—After taking \$10 from her in lieu of the gold filling in her teeth, which he had paid for, Michael Martynick, of Bayonne, N. J., today shot Mary Kraschak. She is dying in a hospital.

The pair had been engaged for some time, but the young woman grew tired of her lover, and last night they quarreled. Martynick demanded that she return all his gifts.

She complied, but Martynick said he had paid for filling her teeth, and wanted the gold.

Miss Kraschak said that she could not remove the filling, but gave him \$10. After taking the money Martynick drew a revolver and fired a bullet into Miss Kraschak's breast.

### PORK AT ITS HIGHEST.

### Never in June Have Hogs Sold at \$8 Per Cwt. Since 1882.

Chicago, June 17.—The highest June price for live hogs since 1882 was established this week at the Union stock yards when best porkers sold at the long predicted figure of \$8 a hundredweight. With the exception of 1902, this is the highest price recorded for any month since the Cudahy coroner in pork in 1893, when live hogs sold at \$8.75 a hundredweight.

The prevailing high prices are due to unusually light receipts of live hogs this spring at all western packing centers, the extremely high price of grain last year prompting many farmers to dispose of their stock rather than to pay exorbitant prices for food-stuff.

### Tore Father's Will to Pieces.

New Orleans, La., June 17.—Dr. William M. C. Millan, an employee in the United States custom house at New Orleans tore his father's will to pieces when he discovered that it gave more property to him than to his younger brother. This fact was disclosed today when the mutilated document, that had been patched together, was filed in the civil district court here for probate. The amount of the property involved is about \$7,000.

### Horry Man Killed Self and Mule.

Columbia, S. C., June 17.—Because a creditor had threatened to seize his mule if he did not pay a debt, John S. Grainger, a white man aged 40, yesterday morning shot his mule, in the woods near his home in Horry county, then turned the weapon on himself, inflicting almost instantly fatal injuries. A man named Watts, it is reported here, had a bill of sale on the mule and had declared he must have his money.

### Robbery at Cheraw. Killings on the Pee Dee.

Cheraw special in the News and Courier, June 17: Last night unknown parties entered Dr. T. E. Wannamaker's drug store, and carried away about forty dollars in money. The men got on the roof through a second story window in the bank building next door, and entered the store through a skylight. Two tills were rifled, and the safe opened and the money drawer broken open and carried away. There is as yet no clue to the

robbers, but several checks and other articles were taken, which are sure to turn up some time and give the guilty ones away. This is the first robbery Cheraw has had in some years.

There have been several killings among the lower class of whites on the Marlboro side of the Pee Dee. First a man named Jacobs shot another man whom he discovered in his back yard and diagnosed as a chicken thief. After lingering several days, his victim died. Next, two men on Mr. Olin Pegue's plantation got into a drunken quarrel over some women, and one named Robinson shot and killed Purvis and left for parts unknown.

### Bryan Says He Will Not be a Candidate for Senator.

Omaha, Neb., June 17.—William J. Bryan will not be a candidate for the United States Senate from Nebraska next year. In a letter to the Omaha World-Herald, received here today, and dated at Parker, Ill., June 12, Mr. Bryan says:

"I reiterate what I have said several times before, namely, that I don't desire to be a candidate for the senate, and do not expect to be. While I will not say that I will not under any circumstances be a candidate, it will require some emergency now unforeseen to bring me into the race, and I hope no such emergency will arise."

This letter is in answer to a telegram calling his attention to what purported to be an official statement that he would seek the office.

### Hosue Destroyed by Lightning in Greenwood.

Greenwood Journal, June 16: A five-room house on the place of Mr. G. W. Buchanan was struck by lightning last Friday, and set on fire. The building was totally destroyed. Mr. Buchanan had \$100 insurance on it. It was occupied by West Arnold. Fortunately no one was in the house when the lightning struck it.

### Dr. Byars's Arrest Not Premature, Says Member of Commission.

Columbia special in Charleston Post, June 17: Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Felder deny that Dr. Byars's arrest is premature. They say there is abundant evidence to convict him. They explain that Mr. Patton and Mr. Lyon were out of town when the arrest was made, that is the reason they did not know the evidence against Dr. Byars.

Mr. Stevenson said: "The arrest of Dr. Byars was made pursuant to directions from the commission and was not hasty or premature. When it reaches the trial stage the evidence will convince the public that it was not only a proper but an absolutely necessary exercise of duty to arrest him while in the jurisdiction."

"More than this, it was not prudent to say as the court of general sessions must deal with the case and manifestly nothing of the evidence should be revealed in this discussion."

### Kershaw Man Killed by Lightning

Camden special in the News and Courier, June 17. Belton Goff, a well known young white man, 22 years of age and unmarried, whose home was about seven miles from Camden, was killed this evening by lightning. He was going from his barn to the house when struck.

## TILLMAN THE FRIEND OF ART.

### The Senator's Speech in the Senate this Week Favoring Putting Works of Art on Free List.

Washington special in the New York Tribune: Senator Tillman, speaking with his usual vehemence and candor, said in support of the paragraph:

Mr. President, in this debate it has not been my good fortune to be found endorsing the views expressed by the senators from New York and Massachusetts. But on this question I feel bound to say, in a humble and modest way, making no pretence whatever of being an art connoisseur, that if that poet who told us that "a thing of beauty is a joy forever," told the truth, this is not the place where the American Senate should display a niggardliness, a narrowness and a penny-wise and pound foolish policy.

The contemplation of beautiful paintings and statuary by even the most ignorant person must exert an elevating and refining influence. Many a boy has become inspired to do likewise, has had his soul enthused and his mind fired with ambition to become a great painter or a sculptor, by seeing great works of art.

I had the misfortune last year to become very ill, and I was ordered to Europe as a means of relaxation and rest. I had the opportunity to visit the great art galleries of Florence, Paris and London, to say nothing of the smaller ones in other cities where I sojourned briefly. While I did not get as enthusiastic over some of these things as other people seemed to be, I saw enough to convince me that the American people can afford to encourage the importation of some of those masterpieces, something that we can get as a means of elevating the thought and inspiring the artistic genius of our people.

I noted in London that a half-dozen of the finest collections were donated to the public by private individuals, who had spent a lifetime and a fortune, or two or three fortunes, in collections such as are no more to be gathered together on the globe, because they have scoured the four corners of the earth almost to get these curios and artistic gems which have been given to those people and they are the greatest treasures in London today.

When we consider that a painting is imperishable if it is cared for—that is, for several centuries at least, and one hardly knows how long a well cared for painting will last—we can understand how it is impossible that these multi-millionaires will not add to the stock of artistic wealth in this country, and in time they will increase the artistic genius of our people by merely having their galleries accessible. Many of these rich people are liberal enough to allow their art galleries to be visited by the public on given days, and others have loaned their masterpieces to this or that public gallery.

As I said, if you want to be hard on these rich people and want to make them do this, that and the other, let us cut out some of the methods by which they get this money, but let us allow them to spend it to bring as many great and glorious works of art to America as possible.

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